



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In Re Application of:

Birk et al.) Group Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned
Serial No.: 09/916,648) Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
Filed: July 30, 2001) Atty. Dkt. No. 03493.00130
For: Simultaneous Delivery of 1280 Video)
Channels over Q WDM Passive Optical)
Device)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, before line 1, insert:

This application claims the benefit under 37 CFR 1.78 of provisional application 60/222,873 filed on August 3, 2000. The full disclosure of the prior application is incorporated herein by reference.

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